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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 09/475,158; Filed: December 30, 1999

PTH Functional Domain Conjugate Peptides, Derivatives Thereof and Novel Tethered Ligand-Receptor Molecules

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. SKGF Cover Letter;
- Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (one 2. additional month for a total of three months);
- Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and 3. Interferences - Large Entity;
- 4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
- Credit Card Payment form for \$1,070.00 to cover the Notice of Appeal fee 5. and \$570.00 fee to further the extension of time from two months to three months; and
- 6. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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